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Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Notice is hereby given that the Assistant Secretary for Health of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, with the approval of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, proposes to add a new Part 101 entitled "Professional Standards Review" to Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations.

The purpose of the present proposal is to implement the provisions of section 1152(a) of the Social Security Act, as added by section 249F of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1972 (86 Stat. 1429–1430 (42 U.S.C. 1320C–1 (a))) with respect to the establishment throughout the United States of appropriate areas with respect to which Professional Standards Review Organizations may be designated by the Secretary by establishing a Subpart A of such new Part 101 entitled "Area Designation" as set out below.

The proposed regulations set out guidelines to be considered by the Secretary in designating such areas and, from time to time, revising such designations. These criteria are intended to assure that the designation of areas will be consistent, insofar as practicable, with political boundaries, local boundaries, local patterns of medical practice, the distribution of health care facilities, and the location of physicians, as well as with effective coordination with Medicare and Medicaid fiscal agents. Both the proposed criteria and proposed designations of areas were widely distributed in the process of their development and public discussions of this material were held in the various regions of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare over the past five months. Notice of the availability of the material and of the opportunity to participate in such discussions was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on July 19, 1973 (38 FR 19270).

The proposed regulations also set out area designations based on the application of the criteria to available information and statistical data, in the light of the discussions referred to. As indicated above, such area designations are subject to modification after final adoption, as changed conditions may warrant.

Following the establishment of Professional Standards Review Organization areas, the next step required by the statute is the conditional designation of a Professional Standards Review Organization for each such area. It is recognized that, in many cases, emerging local organizations will not have the resources to initially organize themselves and undertake without assistance the many activities required by law. Under section 1169 of the Social Security Act, as amended, the Secretary is authorized to provide assistance to qualified organizations which express a desire to be designated as a Professional Standards Review Organization and which have a potential for meeting the requirements for such an organization, in order to assist them in meeting the requirements for designation as a Professional Standards Review Organization.

In addition to such initial assistance, newly formed organizations may need continuing assistance available from existing organizations, in a variety of administrative, organizational and professional matters, for their effective operation. Suitable arrangements for such continuing assistance are now under development and will assure that the relationship between the local Professional Standards Review Organizations and such resource centers does not restrict or limit the autonomy of the local organization and its responsibility for the review of health care services within its area.

Prior to January 1, 1976, only organizations which are composed of licensed doctors of medicine or osteopathy engaged in the practice of medicine or surgery in an area and which otherwise meet the requirements of sections 1152 (b)(1)(A) and (b)(2) may, under the law, be designated as the Professional Standards Review Organization for such area. After that date, such an organization must be given a priority for such designation.

Since the ultimate success of the PSRO program will depend in large measure upon the cooperation and participation by local physicians, health care institutions and other individuals, organizations and agencies affected by the legislation and concerned with the provision of health care, written comments, suggestions or objections by interested individuals and organizations on the proposed regulations are solicited. Any such material, should be sent to the Director, Office of Professional Standards Review, Parklawn Building, Room 17–64, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All comments received by January 21, 1974, will be considered.

Comments directed to specific area designations should identify the area involved and if changes are proposed, a delineation of the proposed changes and the reasons supporting them. Comments will be available for public inspection at the above address between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

It is therefore proposed to issue a new Part 101 of Title 42 as set out below.

Dated: December 10, 1973.

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Approved: December 14, 1973.

CASPAR W. WEINBERGER,
Secretary.

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§ 101.1 Definitions.

As used in this part:

(a) "Act" means the Social Security Act, as amended, (42 U.S. Chap. 7).

(b) "Area" means the geographical area within the boundaries of a State or within the boundaries of one or more counties or other political subdivisions in a State designated as constituting an area with respect to which a Professional Standards Review Organization may be designated, pursuant to section 1152(a) of the Act.

(c) "PSRO" means Professional Standards Review Organization.

(d) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare and any other officer or employee of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare to whom the authority involved may be delegated.

(e) "State" means a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(f) "Physician" means a licensed doctor of medicine or osteopathy.

§ 101.2 Guidelines for designation of areas.

The Secretary will designate appropriate areas with respect to which Professional Standards Review Organizations may be designated, and from time to time revise such area designations, as may, in his judgment be necessary, taking the following guidelines into consideration:

(a) Generally, an area should not cross State lines.

(b) In general, an area should not divide a county. However, in instances of large geographic areas or large county populations, it may be necessary and appropriate to divide a county.

(c) Existing boundaries of local medical review organizations and local health planning areas should be considered.

(d) An area should, to the extent possible, coincide with a medical service area and assure broad, diverse representation of all medical specialties. Consideration should also be given to the location of existing medical centers and to natural geographic barriers.

(e) An area should generally include a minimum of approximately 300 practicing physicians. While the maximum can be expected to vary with local circumstances, generally it should not exceed 2500 practicing physicians.

(f) The designation of an area should take into account the need for effective coordination with Medicare and Medicaid fiscal agents.

§ 101.3 Alabama.

The State of Alabama is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.4 Alaska.

The State of Alaska is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.5 Arizona.

Two Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Arizona, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Mohave	Yavapai
Coconino	Maricopa
Navajo	Gila
Apache	

AREA II

Yuma	Pima
Pinal	Santa Cruz
Graham	Cochise
Greenlee	

§ 101.6 Arkansas.

The State of Arkansas is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.7 California.

Twenty-one Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in California, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Del Norte	Lake
Humboldt	Sonoma
Mendocino	

AREA II

Siskiyou	Glenn
Modoc	Butte
Trinity	Colusa
Shasta	Sutter
Lassen	Yuba
Tehama	Sierra
Plumas	

AREA III

Napa	Marin
Solano	

AREA IV

Nevada	Sacramento
Placer	El Dorado
Yolo	

AREA V

San Francisco

AREA VI

San Mateo

AREA VII

Contra Costa	Alameda

AREA VIII

San Joaquin	Calaveras
Amador	Tuolumne
Alpine	

AREA IX

Santa Clara

AREA X

Stanislaus	Merced
Mariposa	

AREA XI

Fresno	Madera

AREA XII

Santa Cruz	San Benito
Monterey	

AREA XIII

Kings	Tulare

AREA XIV

Kern

AREA XV

Mono	San Bernardino
Inyo	

AREA XVI

San Luis Obispo	Santa Barbara

AREA XVII

Ventura

AREA XVIII

Los Angeles

AREA XIX

Orange

AREA XX

Riverside

AREA XXI

San Diego	Imperial

§ 101.8 Colorado.

The State of Colorado is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.9 Connecticut.

Four Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Connecticut, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Fairfield

AREA II

Litchfield	New Haven

AREA III

Hartford

AREA IV

Tolland	Middlesex
Windham	New London

§ 101.10 Delaware.

The State of Delaware is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.11 District of Columbia.

The District of Columbia is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.12 Florida.

Eight Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Florida, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Santa Rosa	Gadsden
Okaloosa	Liberty
Walton	Franklin
Holmes	Leon
Washington	Jefferson
Jackson	Madison
Bay	Waulla
Calhoun	Taylor
Gulf	

AREA II

Hamilton	Levy
Suwannee	Marion
Columbia	Lafayette
Union	Dixie
Bradford	Gilchrist
Alachua	Volusia
Putman	Brevard
Flager	

AREA III

Nassau	Clay
Baker	St. Johns
Duval	

AREA IV

Lake	Polk
Seminole	Osceola
Orange	

AREA V

Citrus	Pinellas
Sumter	Hillsborough
Hernando	Manatee
Pasco	

AREA VI

Sarasota	Charlotte
Hardee	Glades
Highlands	Martin
Okeechobee	Lee
Indian River	Hendry
St. Lucie	Palm Beach
De Soto	

AREA VII

Collier	Broward

AREA VIII

Monroe	Dade

§ 101.13 Georgia.

Three Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Georgia, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Dade	Lumpkin
Walker	White
Catoosa	Habersham
Whitfield	Floyd
Murray	Bartow
Fannin	Cherokee
Gilmer	Forsyth
Union	Halls
Towns	Banks
Rabun	Franklin
Chattooga	Hart
Gordon	Polk
Pickens	Haralson
Dawson	Paulding

AREA I—Continued

Cobb	Clayton
Douglas	Rockdale
Fulton	Gwinnett
De Kalb	

AREA II

Carroll	Sumter
Heard	Dooly
Coweta	Quitman
Fayette	Randolph
Henry	Terrell
Newton	Lee
Spalding	Crisp
Butts	Clay
Troup	Calhoun
Meriwether	Dougherty
Pike	Worth
Lamar	Turner
Monroe	Ben Hill
Jones	Tift
Harris	Irwin
Talbot	Early
Upson	Miller
Crawford	Baker
Bibb	Mitchell
Twiggs	Colquitt
Muscogee	Cook
Chattahoochee	Berrien
Marion	Seminole
Schley	Decatur
Taylor	Grady
Macon	Thomas
Peach	Brooks
Houston	Lowndes
Stewart	Lanier
Webster	Echols

AREA III

Walton	Montgomery
Barrow	Toombs
Jackson	Candler
Madison	Bulloch
Elbert	Effingham
Baldwin	Tattnal
Hancock	Evans
Warren	Bryan
Mc Duffie	Chatham
Columbia	Jeff Davis
Wilkinson	Morgan
Washington	Jasper
Jefferson	Putnam
Richmond	Greene
Burke	Taliaferro
Bleckley	Appling
Laurens	Wayne
Johnson	Long
Emanuel	Liberty
Jenkins	Coffee
Screven	Bacon
Oconee	Pierce
Clarke	Brantley
Oglethrope	Glynn
Wilkes	Mc Intosh
Lincoln	Atkinson
Pulaski	Ware
Wilcox	Clinch
Dodge	Charlton
Wheeler	Camden
Telfair	
Treutlen	

§ 101.14 Guam and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Guam and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands are designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.15 Hawaii and American Samoa.

Hawaii and American Samoa are designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.16 Idaho.

The State of Idaho is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.17 Illinois.

Seven Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Illinois, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Jo Daviess	Ogle
Stephenson	De Kalb
Winnebago	Whiteside
Boone	Lee
Carroll	

AREA II

McHenry	Kendall
Lake	Will
Kane	Grundy
Du Page	Kankakee

AREA III

Cook

AREA IV

Rock Island	Stark
Mercer	Marshall
Henry	Hancock
Bureau	McDonough
Putnam	Fulton
La Salle	Peoria
Henderson	Tazewell
Warren	Woodford
Knox	

AREA V

Livingston	Macon
Ford	Moultrie
Iroquois	Douglas
McLean	Edgar
De Witt	Shelby
Piatt	Coles
Champaign	Cumberland
Vermillion	Clark

AREA VI

Adams	Morgan
Schuyler	Sangamon
Brown	Christian
Cass	Calhoun
Mason	Greene
Menard	Jersey
Logan	Macoupin
Pike	Montgomery
Scott	

AREA VII

Madison	Richland
Bond	Williamson
Fayette	Saline
Effiingham	Gallatin
Jasper	Union
Crawford	Johnson
Randolph	Lawrence
Perry	Washington
Franklin	Jefferson
Hamilton	Wayne
White	Edwards
Jackson	Wabash
Monroe	Pope
St. Clair	Hardin
Clinton	Alexander
Marion	Pulaski
Clay	Massac

§ 101.18 Indiana.

Five Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Indiana, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Lake	La Porte
Porter	

AREA II

St. Joseph	Cass
Elkhart	Miami
Newton	Wabash
Jasper	Carroll
Starke	Warren
Marshall	Tippecanoe
Kosciusko	Clinton
Pulaski	Howard
Fulton	Tipton
Benton	Fountain
White	Montgomery

AREA III

Lagrange	Allen
Steuben	Huntington
Noble	Wells
De Kalb	Adams
Whitley	

AREA IV

Grant	Fayette
Blackford	Union
Jay	Brown
Boone	Bartholomew
Hamilton	Decatur
Madison	Franklin
Delaware	Jackson
Randolph	Jennings
Putnam	Ripley
Hendricks	Dearborn
Marion	Washington
Hancock	Scott
Henry	Jefferson
Wayne	Ohio
Morgan	Switzerland
Johnson	Harrison
Shelby	Floyd
Rush	Clark

AREA V

Vermillion	Sullivan
Parke	Greene
Vigo	Monroe
Knox	Lawrence
Daviess	Gibson
Martin	Pike
Orange	Dubois
Posey	Warrick
Banderburgh	Spencer
Clay	Perry
Owen	Crawford

§ 101.19 Iowa.

The State of Iowa is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.20 Kansas.

The State of Kansas is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.21 Kentucky.

The State of Kentucky is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.22 Louisiana.

Four Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Louisiana, composed of the following parishes:

AREA I

Caddo
Bossier
Webster
Claiborne
Lincoln
Union
Morehouse
West Carroll
East Carroll
Bienville
Jackson
Quachita
Richland
Madison
De Soto
Red River
Natchitoches
Winn
Caldwell
Franklin
Tensas
Sabine
Grant
LaSalle
Catahoula
Concordia
Vernon
Rapides
Avoyelles

AREA II

Beauregard
Allen
Evangeline
Lafayette
St. Martin
Cameron
St. Landry
Calcasieu
Jefferson Davis
Acadia
Vermilion
Iberia
St. Mary

AREA III

Point Coupee
West Feliciana
East Feliciana
St. Helena
Tangipahoa
Washington
Iberville
West Baton Rouge
East Baton Rouge
Livingston
Ascension

AREA IV

Assumption
St. James
St. John the Baptist
St. Tammany
St. Charles
Jefferson
Orleans
St. Bernard
Terrebonne
Lafourche
Plaquemines

§ 101.23 Maine.

The State of Maine is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.24 Maryland.

Five Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Maryland, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Garrett
Allegany
Washington
Frederick
Carroll
Howard
Baltimore
Harford

AREA II

Baltimore City

AREA III

Montgomery

AREA IV

Prince Georges

AREA V

Cecil
Anne Arundel
Kent
Queen Annes
Charles
Calvert
Talbot
Caroline
St. Marys
Dorchester
Wicomico
Somerset
Worchester

§ 101.25 Massachusetts.

Five Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Massachusetts, composed of the following cities and townships:

AREA I

Williamstown
Clarksburg
North Adams
Adams
Monroe
Florida

AREA I—Continued

Rowe
Heath
Colrain
Leyden
Bernardston
Northfield
Warwick
Orange
Savoy
Charlemont
Hawley
Buckland
Shelburne
Greenfield
Gill
Erving
Hancock
New Ashford
Cheshire
Windsor
Plainfield
Ashfield
Conway
Deerfield
Montaque
Wendell
New Salem
Lanesborough
Dalton
Hinsdale
Peru
Worthington
Cummington
Goshen
Chesterfield
Williamsburg
Whately
Hatfield
Sunderland
Pelham
Pittsfield
Richmond
Leverett
Shutesburg
Lenox
Washington
Middlefield
Chester
Huntington
Westhampton
Northampton
Hadley
Amherst
West Stockbridge
Stockbridge
Lee
Beckett
Alford
Great Barrington
Tryingham
Monterey
Otis
Blandford
Russell
Montgomery
Westfield
Southampton
Easthampton
Holyoke
South Hadley
Gramby
Chicopee
Ludlow
Belchertown
Ware
Palmer
Egremont
Mount Washington
Sheffield
New Marlborough
Sandisfield
Tolland
Granville
Southwick
West Springfield
Agawam
Springfield
Longmeadow
East Longmeadow
Wilbraham
Hampden
Monson
Brimfield
Wales
Holland

AREA II

Royalston
Wichendon
Ashburnham
Ashley
Townsend
Athol
Phillipston
Templeton
Gardner
Westminster
Fitchburg
Lunenburg
Petersham
Hubbardston
Princeton
Leominster
Lancaster
Shirley
Harvard
Ayer
Barre
Rutland
Holden
Sterling
West Boylston
Clinton
Bolton
Berlin
Northborough
Harwick
New Braintree
Oakham
Paxton
Worcester
Shrewsbury
Westborough
West Brookfield
North Brookfield
Brookfield
East Brookfield
Spencer
Leicester
Auburn
Millbury
Grafton
Upton
Sturbridge
Charlton
Oxford
Dudley
Webster
Douglas
Sutton
Northbridge
Uxbridge
Mendon
Millville
Blackstone
Boylston

AREA III

Hudson
Sudbury
Wayland
Weston
Waltham
Newton
Needham
Wellesley
Natick
Sherborn

AREA III—Continued

Marlborough
Southborough
Framingham
Ashland
Hopkinton
Holliston
Milford
Hopedale

AREA IV

Amesburg
Salisbury
Merrimac
Haverhill
West Newbury
Newburyport
Newbury
Groveland
Georgetown
Methuen
Rowley
Tryngsborough
Dunstable
Pepperell
Groton
Westford
Chelmsford
Lowell
Tewksbury
Andover
North Andover
Lawrence
Boxford
Ipswich
Middleton
Topsfield
Hamilton
Essex
Gloucester
Rockport
Wenham
Beverly
Manchester
Danvers
Peabody
Salem
Marblehead
Swamscott
Lynn
Nahant
Saugus
Lynnfield
North Reading
Reading
Wilmington
Billerica
Carlisle
Bedford
Burlington
Lexington
Woburn
Stoneham
Winchester
Wakefield
Melrose
Malden
Medford
Everett
Chelsea
Revere
Winthrop
Somerville
Cambridge
Arlington
Belmont
Watertown
Brookline
Lincoln
Concord
Action
Littleton
Boxborough
Stow
Maynard
Boston
Dedham
Milton
Quincy
Randolph
Braintree
Holbrook
Weymouth
Hingham
Cohasett
Hull
Westwood
Dover
Medfield
Millis
Wrentham
Medway
Bellingham
Franklin
Norfolk
Foxborough
Plainville
North Attleborough
Norton
Taunton
Raynham
Mansfield
Attleboro
Berkley
Dighton
Rehoboth
Seekonk
Freetown

AREA V

Norwood
Walpole
Canton
Sharon
Stoughton
Avon
Easton
Brockton
Akington
Rockland
Hanover
Whitman
Hanson
Pembroke
Scituate
Marshfield
Sudbury
Kingston
Halifax
East Bridgewater
West Bridgewater
Bridgewater
Middleboro
Lakeville
Plympton
Carver
Wareham
Rochester
Marion
Plymouth
Bourne
Sandwich
Falmouth
Mashpee
Barnstable
Yarmouth
Dennis
Hardwick
Brewster
Chatham
Orleans
Wellfleet
Truro
Provincetown
Gosnold
Gay Head
Chilmark
West Tisbury
Edgartown
Oak Bluffs
Tisbury
Mattapoisett

AREA V—Continued

Acushnet	Fall River
Fairhaven	Somerset
New Bedford	Swansea
Dartmouth	Eastham
Westport	

§ 101.26 Michigan.

Eight Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Michigan, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Keweenaw	Luce
Gogebic	Chippewa
Ontonagon	Iron
Houghton	Dickinson
Baraga	Menominee
Marquette	Delta
Alger	Mackinac
Schoolcraft	

AREA II

Emmet	Kalkaska
Cheboygan	Crawford
Presque Isle	Oscoda
Charlevoix	Alcona
Antrim	Manistee
Otsego	Wexford
Montmorency	Missaukee
Alpena	Roscommon
Leelanau	Ogemaw
Benzie	Iosco
Grand Traverse	

AREA III

Mason	Ionia
Lake	Allegan
Osceola	Barry
Oceana	Van Buren
Newaygo	Kalamazoo
Mecosta	Calhoun
Muskegon	Berrien
Montcalm	Cass
Ottawa	St. Joseph
Kent	Branch

AREA IV

Clare	Saginaw
Gladwin	Huron
Arenac	Tuscola
Isabella	Sanilac
Midland	St. Clair
Bay	Oakland
Gratiot	Macomb

AREA V

Shiawassee	Lapeer
Genesee	

AREA VI

Clinton	Jackson
Eaton	Hillsdale
Ingham	

AREA VII

Livingston	Lenawee
Washtenaw	Monroe

AREA VIII

Wayne

§ 101.27 Minnesota.

Three Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Minnesota, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Kittson	Beltrami
Roseau	Itasca
Lake of the Woods	Polk
Koochiching	Pennington
St. Louis	Red Lake
Lake	Norman
Cook	Mahnomen
Marshall	Clearwater

AREA I—Continued

Hubbard	Kanabec
Cass	Pine
Wadena	Pope
Crow Wing	Stearns
Aitkin	Benton
Carlton	Sherburne
Todd	Isanti
Morrison	Chisago
Mille Lacs	Wright

AREA II

Anoka	Carver
Hennepin	Scott
Ramsey	Dakota
Washington	

AREA III

Clay	Le Sueur
Becker	Rice
Wilkin	Goodhue
Otter Trail	Wabasha
Traverse	Pipestone
Grant	Murray
Douglas	Cottonwood
Big Stone	Watowan
Stevens	Blue Earth
Swift	Waseca
Lac Qui Parle	Steele
Chippewa	Dodge
Kandiyohi	Olmsted
Meeker	Winona
Yellow Medicine	Rock
Renville	Nobles
McLeod	Jackson
Lincoln	Martin
Lyon	Faribault
Redwood	Freeborn
Brown	Mower
Sibley	Fillmore
Nicollet	Houston

§ 101.28 Mississippi.

The State of Mississippi is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.29 Missouri.

Five Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Missouri, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Atchison	Platte
Nodaway	Clay
Worth	Ray
Harrison	Carroll
Mercer	Jackson
Holt	Lafayette
Andrew	Saline
Gentry	Cass
De Kalb	Johnson
Daviess	Pettis
Grundy	Bates
Buchanan	Henry
Clinton	Benton
Caldwell	Vernon
Livingston	St. Clair

AREA II

Putnam	Boone
Schuyler	Audrain
Scotland	Callaway
Clark	Montgomery
Sullivan	Cooper
Adair	Morgan
Knox	Moniteau
Lewis	Cole
Linn	Osage
Macon	Gasconade
Shelby	Miller
Marion	Maries
Chariton	Camden
Randolph	Pulaski
Monroe	Phelps
Ralls	Crawford
Pike	Dent
Howard	

AREA III

Lincoln	Franklin
Warren	St. Louis
St. Charles	St. Louis City

AREA IV

Barton	Texas
Cedar	Shannon
Hickory	Newton
Dallas	Christian
Laclede	Douglas
Dade	Howell
Polk	Oregon
Jasper	Mc Donald
Lawrence	Barry
Greene	Stone
Webster	Taney
Wright	Ozark

AREA V

Jefferson	Cape Girardeau
Washington	Carter
St. Francois	Ripley
Ste. Genevieve	Butler
Iron	Stoddard
Madison	Scott
Perry	Mississippi
Reynolds	New Madrid
Wayne	Dunklin
Rollinger	Pemiscot

§ 101.30 Montana.

The State of Montana is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.31 Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.32 Nevada.

The State of Nevada is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.33 New Hampshire.

The State of New Hampshire is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.34 New Jersey.

Eight Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in New Jersey, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Sussex	Morris
Warren	

AREA II

Passaic

AREA III

Bergen

AREA IV

Essex

AREA V

Hudson

AREA VI

Union

AREA VII

Hunterdon	Middlesex
Somerset	Monmouth
Mercer	Ocean

AREA VIII

Burlington	Salem
Camden	Cumberland
Gloucester	Cape May
Atlantic	

§ 101.35 New Mexico.

The State of New Mexico is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.36 New York.

Fourteen Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in New York, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Niagara	Wyoming
Orleans	Chautauqua
Erie	Cattaraugus
Genesee	Allegany

AREA II

Monroe	Yates
Wayne	Steuben
Livingston	Chemung
Ontario	Schuyler
Seneca	

AREA III

St. Lawrence	Onondaga
Jefferson	Tompkins
Lewis	Cortland
Oswego	Tioga
Cayuga	Broome

AREA IV

Oneida	Madison
Herkimer	Chenango

AREA V

Franklin	Fulton
Clinton	Warren
Hamilton	Saratoga
Essex	Washington

AREA VI

Montgomery	Albany
Schenectady	Rensselaer
Otsego	Delaware
Schoharie	

AREA VII

Greene	Ulster
Columbia	Dutchess
Sullivan	Orange

AREA VIII

Putnam	Westchester
Rockland	

AREA IX

New York

AREA X

Richmond	Kings

AREA XI

Queens

AREA XII

Nassau

AREA XIII

Suffolk

AREA XIV

Bronx

§ 101.37 North Carolina.

Four Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in North Carolina, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Ashe	Buncombe
Allegheny	Rutherford
Watauga	Cleveland
Wilkes	Swain
Avery	Transylvania
Caldwell	Jackson
Alexander	Henderson
Mitchell	Polk
Yancey	Graham
McDowell	Macon
Burke	Cherokee
Catawba	Clay
Haywood	Madison

AREA II

Surry	Davidson
Stokes	Randolph
Rockingham	Lincoln
Caswell	Richmond
Yadkin	Mecklenburg
Forsyth	Cabarrus
Guilford	Stanly
Gaston	Montgomery
Alamance	Moore
Iredell	Union
Davie	Anson
Rowan	

AREA III

Person	Franklin
Granville	Chatham
Vance	Wake
Warren	Johnston
Orange	Lee
Durham	

AREA IV

Halifax	Hyde
Northampton	Wayne
Hertford	Lenoir
Gates	Craven
Chowan	Pamilco
Perquimans	Harnett
Pasquotank	Hoke
Camden	Cumberland
Currituck	Sampson
Nash	Duplin
Edgecomb	Jones
Bertie	Onslow
Martin	Carteret
Washington	Scotland
Tyrrell	Robeson
Dare	Bladen
Wilson	Pender
Greene	Columbus
Pitt	Brunswick
Beaufort	New Hanover

§ 101.38 North Dakota.

The State of North Dakota is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.39 Ohio.

Nine Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Ohio, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Williams	Henry
Fulton	Wood
Lucas	Sandusky
Ottawa	Paulding
Defiance	Putnam

AREA II

Van Wert	Hardin
Allen	Logan
Hancock	Wyandot
Seneca	Crawford
Mercer	Marion
Auglaize	

AREA III

Erie	Richland
Lorain	Ashland
Huron	Wayne
Medina	Holmes

AREA IV

Cuyahoga	Geauga
Lake	Ashtabula

AREA V

Summit	Stark
Portage	Mahoning
Trumbull	Columbiana

AREA VI

Darke	Clark
Shelby	Preble
Champaign	Montgomery
Miami	Greene

AREA VII

Morrow	Franklin
Knox	Fayette
Union	Pickaway
Delaware	Ross
Madison	

AREA VIII

Licking	Noble
Coshocton	Monroe
Tuscarawas	Hocking
Carroll	Athens
Jefferson	Washington
Muskingum	Vinton
Guernsey	Meigs
Harrison	Pike
Belmont	Jackson
Fairfield	Gallia
Perry	Scioto
Morgan	Lawrence

AREA IX

Butler	Clermont
Warren	Brown
Clinton	Highland
Hamilton	Adams

§ 101.40 Oklahoma.

The State of Oklahoma is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.41 Oregon.

Two Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Oregon, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Multnomah

AREA II

Clatsop	Linn
Columbia	Jefferson
Tillamook	Wheeler
Washington	Grant
Yamhill	Baker
Clackamas	Lane
Hood River	Deschutes
Wasco	Crook
Sherman	Coos
Gilliam	Douglas
Morrow	Curry
Umatilla	Josephine
Union	Jackson
Wallowa	Klamath
Lincoln	Lake
Polk	Harney
Benton	Malheur
Marion	

§ 101.42 Pennsylvania.

Twelve Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Pennsylvania, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Erie	Crawford
Warren	Forest
McKean	Elk
Potter	Cameron

AREA II

Tioga	Northumberland
Bradford	Montour
Clinton	Columbia
Lycoming	Snyder
Sullivan	Mifflin
Centre	Juniata
Union	

AREA III

Susquehanna
Wyoming
Lackawanna
Luzerne

AREA IV

Wayne
Pike
Monroe
Carbon
Northampton
Lehigh

AREA V

Mercer
Venango
Clarion
Jefferson
Clearfield
Lawrence
Butler
Armstrong
Indiana

AREA VI

Alleghany

AREA VII

Beaver
Washington
Westmoreland
Greene
Fayette

AREA VIII

Cambria
Blair
Huntingdon
Somerset
Bedford

AREA IX

Schuylkill
Perry
Dauphin
Lebanon
Berks
Cumberland
Lancaster
Fulton
Adams
Franklin
York

AREA X

Chester
Delaware

AREA XI

Montgomery

AREA XII

Philadelphia

§ 101.43 Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.44 Rhode Island.

The State of Rhode Island is designated a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.45 South Carolina.

The State of South Carolina is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.46 South Dakota.

The State of South Dakota is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.47 Tennessee.

Three Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Tennessee, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Lake
Obion
Weakley
Henry
Dyer
Gibson
Carroll
Benton
Lauderdale
Crockett
Tipton
Haywood
Madison
Henderson
Decatur
Shelby
Fayette
Hardeman
Chester
McNairy
Hardin

AREA II

Stewart
Montgomery
Robertson
Sumner

AREA II—Continued

Trousdale
Macon
Clay
Pickett
Houston
Dickson
Cheatham
Davidson
Wilson
Smith
Jackson
Overton
Fentress
Humphreys
Hickman
Williamson
Rutherford
Cannon
De Kalb
White
Putnam
Cumberland
Perry
Lewis
Maury
Marshall
Bedford
Coffee
Warren
Van Buren
Wayne
Lawrence
Giles
Lincoln
Moore
Franklin

AREA III

Scot
Campbell
Claiborne
Hancock
Hawkins
Sullivan
Johnson
Morgan
Anderson
Union
Grainger
Sevier
Hamblen
Jefferson
Cocke
Greene
Washington
Unicoi
Carter
Roane
Loudon
Knox
Blount
Bledsoe
Rhea
Meigs
McMinn
Monroe
Grundy
Sequatchie
Marion
Hamilton
Bradley
Polk

§ 101.48 Texas.

Eight Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Texas, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Dallam
Sherman
Hansford
Ochiltree
Lipscomb
Hartley
Moore
Hutchinson
Roberts
Hemphill
Oldham
Potter
Carson
Gray
Wheeler
Deaf Smith
Randall
Armstrong
Donley
Collingsworth
Parmer
Castro
Swisher
Briscoe
Hall
Childress
Hardeman
Bailey
Lamb
Hale
Floyd
Motley
Cottle
Foard
Wilbarger
Wichita
Cochran
Hockley
Lubbock
Crosby
Dickens
King
Knox
Baylor
Archer
Clay
Montaque
Yoakum
Terry
Lynn
Garza
Kent
Stonewall
Haskell
Throckmorton
Young
Jack
Scurry
Fisher
Jones
Shackelford
Stephens
Mitchell
Nolan
Taylor
Callahan
Eastland
Coleman
Brown
Comanche
Runnels

AREA II

Cooke
Wise
Denton
Palo Pinto
Parker
Tarrant
Erath
Hood

AREA II—Continued

Johnson
Somervell

AREA III

Grayson
Fannin
Collin
Hunt
Dallas
Rockwall
Ellis
Kaufman
Navarro

AREA IV

Lamar
Red River
Bowie
Delta
Hopkins
Franklin
Titus
Camp
Morris
Cass
Rains
Wood
Upshur
Marion
Van Zandt
Smith
Gregg
Harrison
Henderson
Anderson
Cherokee
Rusk
Panola
Houston
Angelina
Nacogdoches
Shelby
Sabine
Trinity
San Jacinto
Polk
Tyler
Jasper
Newton
San Augustine
Hardin
Orange
Jefferson

AREA V

Andrew
Martin
Howard
El Paso
Hudspeth
Culberson
Reeves
Loving
Winkler
Ector
Midland
Glasscock
Sterling
Coke
Ward
Crane
Upton
Reagan
Karnes
Irion
Tom Green
Concho
McCulloch
Jeff Davis
Pecos
Crockett
Schleicher
Menard
Mason
Sutton
Kimble
Gillespie
Presido
Brewster
Terrell
Val Verde
Gaines
Dawson
Edwards
Real
Kerr
Bandera
Kendall
Comal
Kinney
Uvalde
Medina
Bexar
Guadalupe
Maverick
Zavala
Frio
Atascosa
Wilson
Dimmit
La Salle
Borden

AREA VI

Mills
Hamilton
Bosque
Hill
Limestone
Freestone
Lampasas
Coryell
McLennan
Falls
Robertston
Leon
Madison
Llano
Burnet
Bell
Williamson
Milam
Brazos
San Saba
Grimes
Blanco
Travis
Bastrop
Lee
Burleson
Washington
Hays
Caldwell

AREA VII

Walker
Montgomery
Austin
Waller
Harris
Liberty
Chambers

AREA VIII

Fayette
Gonzales
Lavaca
Colorado

AREA VIII—Continued

Wharton	Webb
Fort Bent	Duval
Brazoria	Jim Wells
Galveston	San Patricio
De Witt	Nueces
Victoria	Kleberg
Jackson	Zapata
Matagorda	Jim Hogg
McMullen	Brooks
Live Oak	Kenedy
Bee	Starr
Goliad	Hidalgo
Calhoun	Willacy
Refugio	Cameron
Arkansas	

§ 101.49 Utah.

The State of Utah is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.50 Vermont.

The State of Vermont is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.51 Virgin Islands.

The Virgina Islands are designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.52 Virginia.

Five Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Virginia, composed of the following counties and independent cities:

AREA I

COUNTIES

Frederick	King George
Clarke	Highland
Warren	Augusta
Sheneandoah	Albemarle
Page	Orange
Rappahannock	Louisa
Fauquier	Spotsylvania
Rockingham	Caroline
Greene	Bath
Madison	Rockbridge
Culpeper	Nelson
Stafford	Fluvanna

INDEPENDENT CITIES

Winchester	Waynesboro
Harrisonburg	Charlottesville
Fredericksburg	Buena Vista
Staunton	

AREA II

COUNTIES

Loudoun	Fairfax
Prince William	Arlington

INDEPENDENT CITIES

Alexandria	Falls Church
Fairfax	

AREA III

COUNTIES

Alleghany	Bedford
Craig	Amherst
Botetourt	Appomattox

AREA III—Continued

Campbell	Wythe
Roanoke	Grayson
Giles	Tazewell
Montgomery	Smyth
Floyd	Buchanan
Franklin	Russell
Pittsylvania	Washington
Pulaski	Dickenson
Carroll	Wise
Patrick	Scott
Henry	Lee
Bland	

INDEPENDENT CITIES

Clifton Forge	Norton
Covington	Bristol
Lynchburg	Galax
Roanoke	Martinsville
Radford	Danville

AREA IV

COUNTIES

Buckingham	Prince George
Cumberland	Surry
Goochland	Nottoway
Powhatan	Dinwiddie
Hanover	Sussex
Henrico	Charlotte
New Kent	Lunenburg
Charles City	Brunswick
Prince Edward	Greensville
Amelia	Halifax
Chesterfield	Mecklenburg

INDEPENDENT CITIES

Richmond	Petersburg
Colonial Heights	South Boston
Hopewell	

AREA V

COUNTIES

Westmoreland	Mathews
Northumberland	King and Queen
Accomack	Gloucester
Richmond	King William
Lancaster	James City
Northampton	York
Essex	Southampton
Middlesex	Isle of Wight

INDEPENDENT CITIES

Williamsburg	Nansemond
Newport News	Portsmouth
Hampton	Norfolk
Franklin	Chesapeake
Suffolk	Virginia Beach

§ 101.53 Washington.

Three Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Washington, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Clallam	Pacific
Jefferson	Lewis
Grays Harbor	Wahkiakum
Mason	Cowlitz
Kitsap	Clark
Thurston	Skamania
Pierce	

AREA II

Whatcom	Snohomish
Skagit	King

AREA III

Okanogan	Adams
Ferry	Whitman
Stevens	Yakima
Pend Oreille	Klickitat
Chelan	Benton
Douglas	Franklin
Grant	Walla Walla
Lincoln	Columbia
Spokane	Garfield
Kittitas	Asotin

§ 101.54 West Virginia.

The State of West Virginia is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

§ 101.55 Wisconsin.

Four Professional Standards Review Organization areas are designated in Wisconsin, composed of the following counties:

AREA I

Douglas	Dunn
Bayfield	Chippewa
Ashland	Clark
Iron	Marathon
Vilas	Pierce
Burnett	Pepin
Washburn	Eau Clair
Sawyer	Buffalo
Price	Trempealeau
Oneida	Jackson
Forest	Wood
Florence	Portage
Polk	La Crosse
Barron	Monroe
Rusk	Juneau
Taylor	Adams
Lincoln	Vernon
Langlade	Crawford
St. Croix	

AREA II

Marinette	Waushara
Oconto	Winnebago
Door	Calumet
Shawano	Manitowoc
Menominee	Marquette
Waupaca	Green Lake
Outagamie	Fond Du Lac
Brown	Sheboygan
Kewaunee	

AREA III

Richland	Dane
Sauk	Jefferson
Columbia	Lafayette
Dodge	Green
Grant	Rock
Iowa	

AREA IV

Washington	Walworth
Ozaukee	Racine
Waukesha	Kenosha
Milwaukee	

§ 101.56 Wyoming.

The State of Wyoming is designated as a single Professional Standards Review Organization area.

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